

MINUTES OF THE APRIL 5, 1979 BOARD MEETING
DADE HERITAGE TRUST

The meeting was called to order by President Darlene Russell at 8:00 P.M. at Dr. Jackson's. Present were: John Baldwin, Elizabeth Passela, Peggy Montague, Ivan Rodriguez, Marion Stokley, Sharon Clarke, Claire Frazier, Wayne Williams, Linda Tripp, Darlene Russell, Betty Mangum, and Rene Murai.

Darlene presented the new SLATE OF OFFICERS for 1979-80. Nominated were: president - Claire Frazier; Treasurer - Elizabeth Passela; Recording Secretary - Betty Mangum. Ivan moved that the slate as presented be accepted; motion was seconded by Wayne and carried unanimously. Sharon Clarke will continue as Newsletter editor, Darlene will continue as membership chairman, John Baldwin as corresponding secretary and grants chairman; Wayne Williams - grounds; Marion Stokley - auxiliary and medical furnishings; and Linda Tripp - program. Positions are open for first vice president, historical sites and ways and means.

Minutes of the March board meeting were approved as read by Linda Tripp.

Darlene stated that everything is ready for the moving of the WAGNER HOMESTEAD. Russell's movers have confirmed the date of April 10. For publicity the Herald and Miami News have been notified and TV stations will be called a day or two in advance. Dolly MacIntyre had sent a personal check in the amount of \$1,400 to the moving company and Darlene had sent her personal check to Florida Power and Light for \$350.00. Motion was made by Darlene that we reimburse Dolly for her expenditure. Motion was seconded and carried. Linda moved that Darlene be reimbursed for her expenditure. Motion was seconded and carried. Photocopies of the moving contract were distributed. Installment of \$1,400 was due on signing the contract; \$1,000.00 due on delivery to new site, and \$1,350.00 due upon completion of work.

The NASSAU TRIP was cancelled. A minimum of fifteen people was needed and only ten signed up to go.

Motion was made by Darlene to look into the possibility of a week-end in KEY WEST as a fund raising project for the Florida Trust. Motion was seconded and carried. Inasmuch as Sally Jude co-ordinated the last trip, she will be called on for assistance in arranging this one.

A planning meeting for the 1980 ANTIQUE SHOW is scheduled for Tuesday, April 17 in the a.m. Members will be notified of a definite hour.

Ivan stated that prospective bidders for the remodeling of Dr. Jackson's have been around but so far no estimates have been received. Bids of this nature are hard to obtain. Community development funds will partially pay for the remodeling.

PRESERVATION WEEK: Liz will contact Sally Jude to determine what films are available. Nancy Hoffman and Sam Boldrick are arranging Bike and Bus Tours. The Barnacle was not "too keen" on the idea of the groups meeting there for lunch. Some place in the Grove Area would be desirable. Claire and Ivan displayed the large map they are making showing historical sites. There are problems in getting it printed due to the size; having it made up in only two colors, black and white, will be cheaper. The costs of printing will determine whether a small number will be printed for distribution to a few people or a large number made up to sell.

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John Baldwin reported that the BUTLER BUILDING is being moved to Dallas Park near the Bowden Business College.

John and Ivan discussed the problems of the CULMER AREA. The Black Archives is the only group the survey team has been able to work with. Ivan has called three meetings and on the third attempt two people showed up. Wayne suggested that John respond to an article in the newspaper regarding the Culmer area being of historical interest.

The celebration of HIALEAH PARK RACE TRACT being designated as a historic site on March 23, 1979 was successful. However, it is felt that they are "tremendously unorganized" in setting up a museum, etc. The city council has become interested in the project but possibly it will be up to us to "get the ball rolling". Motion was made by Darlene that we make a "Day at the Races" an annual event, planning to begin now. Motion was seconded and carried. Saturday would be a better day.

The Channel 4 interview with Mr. James Biddle will be shown in April on Montage.

The FREEDOM TOWER meeting scheduled for March 29 was postponed; letters were not mailed on time.

DHT had 21 members answering phones on the CHANNEL 2 AUCTION March 31. We also donated a gourmet lunch and a tour of the city.

The next general meeting will be held April 24 in the McArthur Engineering Building at the University of Miami. Professor Aristides Millas, Jr. will discuss what the University has done in the historical preservation field, and Rick Cronenberge, a student in the department of architecture, will show slides on work done in Mississippi.

Ivan has ideas for re-organizing the historical preservation groups and will call a meeting of those concerned to re-direct energies. We should be concerned about local ordinances, talk to legislatures about our ideas for preservation, and educate our people in the area of "preservation". Claire suggested that members focus their attention on getting organized in the areas of a site committee, legislative committee, public relations, community education, zoning variances, special funds, etc.

At the suggestion of Mr. James Biddle, Ivan has applied for a grant for the historical survey team.

The next board meeting will be held May 3.

Meeting adjourned at 10:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Betty Mangum
Betty Mangum, Secretary